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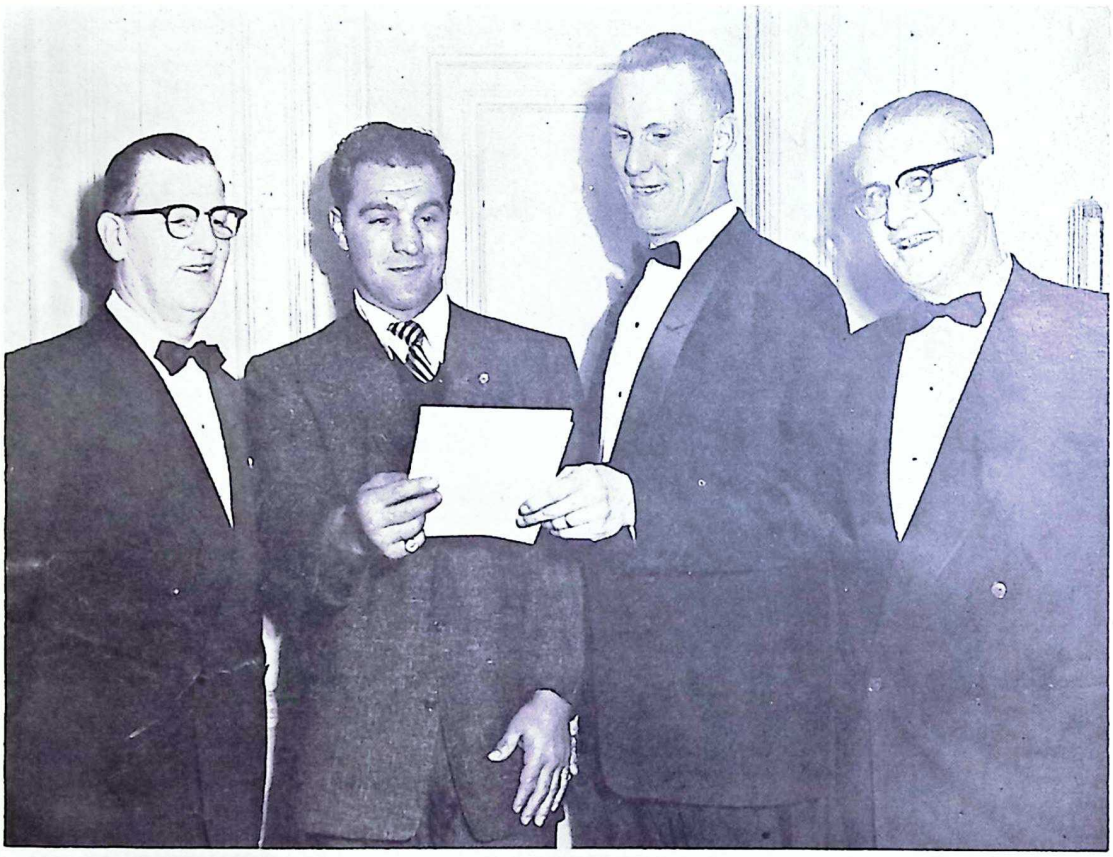

Taken at the YD Club of Boston Annual Military Ball, Sheraton Plaza Hotel, December 5, 1955. Left to right: S. Russell Murray, Manager Raynham Dog Track, Member Boston Chapter; Rocky Marciano, Heavyweight Champion of the World; George F. Johnson, Commander YD Memorial Club of Boston; William Coffey, Member Board of Governors YD Club of Boston.

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NATIONAL COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Dear Comrades:

With the beginning of another year we can look back to the wonderful associations we have had with each other. It is indeed gratifying to hear some member attending a meeting, who is not in the habit of coming, say that he just met a buddy he has not seen in 20 or 30 years. You, too, can get that thrill if you will take an active part in the organization.

In December I made a business trip to Chicago, tried to get a group together but no luck, they were too scattered to assemble on such short notice. I did have a nice phone chat with Jack Donovan and also a short visit with Ed O'Connell at the bank, which is only a few miles from the factory I represent. I am sure you will be pleased to know that Ed is looking fine after his sojourn in the hospital. They both wanted to be remembered to the gang back home and hope to make the Convention in Manchester in June.

On the way out, I contacted the Cleveland Chapter and arranged to stop over on the way back Saturday. Comrades Goehring and Kilbane met me at the Airport and that night we had a dinner and meeting at the Hotel Hollander. It was well attended for such short notice and I am sure we all got something out of it. You will see quite a few of these buddies in Manchester. Sorry I could not go up to Detroit but may make it before my term expires.

We did not hold an Executive meeting in December but did have one in January. The Providence Chapter was our host and we wish to thank them. It was good to see P.N.C. Larry Cook at this meeting, also P.N.C. Bourget, P.N.C. Sullivan and P.N.C. Watts. Doc Brown of Manchester, who is chairman of the Convention Committee, gave us an outline of the Convention program and it looks like a real one. Those boys from Manchester have a real job on their hands as anyone who has been in on one of these deals realizes, so give them all the help you can. Those who cannot help locally can help by sending in their registrations at once. Don't wait until June to see if you can attend, send in your registration now and if you can't make it at the last minute just consider you have made a donation to a worthy cause. If any or you feel that you cannot afford the donation, I am sure the boys in Manchester will be glad to refund your money, so let's get it up.

Last week I had the pleasure of attending a Department of New Hampshire meeting in Nashua. There was a good attendance and it was good to have P.N.C. John Dunlop with us and also to hear him give a good talk under the good of Y.D.V.A. Mike Dell Isola also showed up but only for a short while and he left before we had a chance to hear from him.

Our good secretary Guy Watts is in the hospital in Chelsea and is coming along very well. This issue will probably be a little late because Guy is the one to edit

all the material before it goes to press, so bear with us please!

The next Executive meeting will be held in New York in conjunction with their installation. This is always a good party and will be well attended. Why not make it a New York week-end and take in the Y.D. Doings on Saturday. Executive meeting at 4 P. M. and dinner at 6:30.

March meeting will be held in Worcester. This is a good central location so let's make this one of the largest meetings of the year. April meeting will be in Springfield.

Don't forget we still need more members. Make sure every Y.D. man you know is a member; ask him and if he does not belong, try to get him to sign up. There are lots of Y.D. men we see from time to time, that we just naturally assume are paid-up members, so don't be afraid to ask. If they are members their feelings will not be hurt, I am sure. We have reached the turning point on membership, so let's keep it going up.

James F. B. Meikle,
National Cmdr. Y.D.V.A.

VAGABONDS MOTORING THROUGH EUROPE

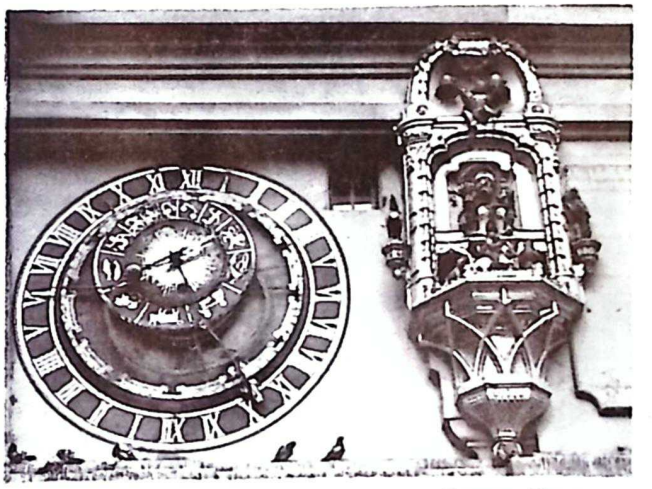
by

Newton S. Courtney (Member Lynn Chapter)

With time as well as money fast diminishing we filled the thank of the Citroen with good old 16c a gallon gas as we inquired if there were any more quartermaster gas stations between Berchtesgaden and Switzerland, our destination for that day. We were informed that there was a small ordnance detachment at a French military post called Camp *Rum*—of all names. This post was near the Swiss border and operated a GI gas station. It was with considerable regret that we left Berchtesgaden and headed for Switzerland over beautiful roads and past gorgeous scenery. Around noontime we saw Camp Rum to our right, flying the French flag and we headed for the main gate. It was located many miles from the nearest town. The French sentry recognized our ID card and directed us to the American detachment. We found that the German civilian who operates the gas pump was to lunch, and since we could use food also, we headed for the detachment mess hall. The detachment consisted of about fifty men and four officers and we enjoyed a most delicious meal for fifty cents each.

After lunch we went back to the gas station and found the attendant on the job. He filled our tank and suggested that we carry a five gallon can in our trunk as gasoline sold for about seventy cents a gallon in Switzerland. A most accommodating sergeant secured an old five gallon oil can for us which we filled and then headed for the border of the little Duchy of Lichtenstein. Upon arrival there we were surprised to find Swiss customs officials on duty. They told us that the Duchy was so tiny—being about five miles in any direction, that they didn't keep any border guards, and allowed the Swiss to take over this duty for them. We were asked for money for the first time in crossing any border, but the amount was so small and the guards so polite that we were glad to pay it, especially when we learned that it was a road tax and we found that the fine roads still continued all through Switzerland.

It was nearly eight o'clock in the evening when we pulled up to a fine looking hotel in Wildhaus (meaning wild deer), a mountain resort town in the Swiss Alps. We had hardly brought the car to a stop when a middle aged man came from the hotel and inquired if we desired accommodations for the night. Upon receiving our affirmative reply he clapped his hands and two bellhops came running from the hotel and unloaded our baggage from the car. This gentleman then introduced himself as the manager of the hotel and said that he was at our service. We were shown to large spic and span rooms with a nice bath. About a half hour later the manager was at the door with a couple of menus and asked if we would like to order dinner now. We enjoyed a perfectly delightful meal and retired about midnight on one of the most comfortable mattresses we have ever slept on.



—Courtney Photo

This famous clock is a "must" for every tourist visiting Berne. Some say it is 300 years old — others say 600, but in either case it is a very old clock. Every hour a cock crows and flaps his wings, a parade of little bears march around and the man on top (at right) strikes the hour on the bell with a hammer. The street is usually thronged at five minutes before every hour by visitors waiting to see the show.

We found that Switzerland was as delightful everywhere we visited. Since Switzerland has been known for many years as "A nation of hotel keepers" it did not take us very long to learn why they had earned that title. The

Swiss really know the business of making a traveler comfortable and happy when he is their guest.

Generally speaking we found that Swiss night life was rather dull and the performers were not too talented. In Geneva, however, we visited a night club that would have done justice to Paris, it was that good. What the Swiss lack in night life they easily make up with their fine hotels and table.

While stopping at the Bellevue hotel in Berne we met a Swiss army officer who explained to us a few interesting facts about the Swiss conscription system which is looked upon by many military experts as the best system of any nation. When a Swiss boy leaves high school he enters

—Courtney Photo

One of the many street statues at a watering place in Berne. These watering places were along the main street before a city water supply was available. Later the posts were erected and carved statues placed on top. The statues have no significance but were the creation of the artists mind. The statue shown here depicts a man "eating little children." Note the American influence indicated by the Electrolux sign in background.

the army for one year of intensive military training. After he has completed a year's training he is given a permanent assignment and in the event of a national emergency or war, he will report directly to that duty station from his home upon receipt of orders. Before being relieved from his year's training he is given complete combat equipment including rifle and ammunition which he takes with him to his home. One day each week until he is sixty years of age he must report to the nearest rifle range from his home for target practice for eight hours.

Deferments in the Swiss system are far and few between. If a man is not physically qualified for combat duty he is not deferred or exempted, but is given a duty that he is able to perform. As a man gets older his eyesight may fail or other infirmities of old age may set in, but still he is not discharged. He would be assigned to some military duty near his home, should he be called out in time of war. After the first year of active duty a Swiss soldier must report for fifteen days active duty each year in addition to his weekly rifle range duty.

Swiss fortifications are so well camouflaged that one could stand within twenty feet of one and not recognize it. At various points along the highway there are signs stating that no photographs are permitted. The Swiss officer stated that almost all of these strategic points are under constant observation and if a person is seen taking pictures nothing is done about it at that time and place. However, at some distance down the road, possibly as far away as five or ten miles the vehicle is stopped and the occupants are taken to the police station where they are questioned and searched. In this manner, if they have made several stops to take pictures, they have no way of knowing which spot is so important as to cause their arrest. They will usually be held for court and severe fines are imposed on tourists who violate this law. If espionage is involved the persons are turned over to the military for action.

As we headed toward the Swiss-Franco border we noted an ever increasing number of cars with French plates on them entering Switzerland from the direction of France. Most of the cars had baby carriages, beds, boats and huge piles of baggage strapped to their tops. When we reached Customs there was a line of cars as far as we could see, waiting to clear customs from the opposite direction. Upon questioning the customs officer we were informed that these people were the vanguard of the French families, who were taking advantage of the four-day French holiday—Bastille Day (their Independence Day). On long holidays hundreds of French families visit mountain resorts in Switzerland, even as you and I do back home. We also picked up a young French hitch-hiker who was returning to his studies at the University of Lyon and had hitch-hiked his way through Austria and Switzerland during his summer vacation. He explained to us that the French very often start observing their holidays two or three days ahead of time and remarked that not very much business would be carried on for a week because of the vacationing employees.

We dropped our guest in Lyon and put up over night in this fine old interesting city. Early the next morning we headed for Limoges a few hundred kilometers distant. We began to note the effects of Bastille Day along our route. Some towns had the fire department out taking part in ladder climbing, demonstrations, hose laying contests, etc. Other places had carnivals going in full swing—and it was still the day before the official holiday. About nine o'clock that night in a torrential downpour, we had our first mishap—a flat tire. Young Newt and I got out the jack, with crazy drivers splashing us with mud and water as they sped by at about sixty to seventy miles an hour. By the way, most European countries have no speed regulations outside of the towns and cities and very

little then. We found that the car was so low that the jack wouldn't fit beneath the car. Upon giving a slight uplift on the fender the car was easily raised to permit the jack to slide under. The tire was soon in place and we arrived in Limoges about midnight, a trio of tired, soaked and dirty vagabonds. We were starved for food, but the unsympathetic clerk explained that the hotel dining room had closed early because of the holiday, so we went to bed hungry that night.

(*To be Continued*)

YDVA NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

January 16, 1955

The last regular meeting of the National Executive Committee of the YD Veterans Association was held at Driftwood Restaurant, Pawtuxet, R. I., as guests of Providence Chapter on Sunday, Jan. 16, 1955.

The meeting was opened by National Commander Meikle at 3:00 P. M., with thirty present.

The following were present: National Officers, Commander, Treasurer, Secretary, Sgt.-at-Arms, Past National Commanders, Cook, Bourget, Sullivan, At Large, Vickery, Anderson. State, Lindgren, Reimer, Bechard, Grandchamp. Chapter, Bailey, Vigiard, Goodwin, Tarleton, Tobin. Guests, Nute, Eames, Dr. Brown, Byron, Fallon, Ryan, Fontaine, Kittredge, Strong, Plante.

The Chair recognized P.N.C.'s Cook, Sullivan, Bourget.

The Secretary's report was accepted and filed.

The Treasurer's report accepted and filed.

By-Laws Committee report submitted by Crokan.

Report of History: H. Guy Watts reported that the history was in the hands of the publishers who were making every effort to complete the publication before the end of February, 1955.

The National Convention Committee reported that it has held several meetings and reported that printing of advanced registrations is completed. Plans are being made with respect to regimental dinners and reunions. It is the wish of the committee to secure as many advanced registrations as possible. The 103rd Infantry, reports that they will muster some 300 to 400 members.

P.N.C. Bourget, has the other half of Stone from YD Church. He has received the old flag from the Belleau Church and will present it to National Headquarters.

Comrade Nute asked for a report on Route 128 Station.

New Business: A question was raised about members sending their dues directly down to National Headquarters rather than through the Chapter. Members are advised to place their dues in the hands of the Chapter Secretaries who will forward the per capita on to National.

P.N.C. Cook suggested that plans be formulated for another trip to France in 1956.

The Hartford, Connecticut Chapter Dinner will be held Feb. 6, 1955 at Danish Club at Hartford

Secretary Watts reported a new chapter at Newmarket, N. H., has been proposed.

New York City will be the meeting place for February. On the 19th, Guy Kittredge stated that the Providence Chapter will pay one half of any ticket for food after the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 P. M.

National Secretary

NATIONAL SECRETARY

I wish to thank all of my friends for the hundreds of cards and telephone calls I received during my short stay at the Lawrence F. Quigley Hospital, Chelsea, Mass. Also those who made the long trip to pay a visit to me.

It was a strange experience for me, never having been in a hospital in my life. But the first day I found that the next bed was occupied by a guy from H Comp., 101st Infantry, one Luigi Ferulla (who never stopped talking from the day I arrived until I left the Ward for the operating room). Another YD man in the ward was William Henderson who originally was with the Machine Gun Co. 8th Mass. He went over with the Supply Train and was with Transportation while in France.

My first visitor was Dr. Renth the Dentist at the Hospital who served in France with the 104th. The fellow who looks after your clothes while you are in the hospital is William Goodman, Machine Gun Co. 104th. Val Barbour, B Bty. 102 F.A., from Worcester works in the next Ward.

Mrs. Renth, the Doctor's wife who is in charge of Physio-Therapy also visited me.

I made a couple of visits myself. One to Bill Hamilton who was with the Signal Corps. Bill has been at the Hospital for five years and has lost the sight of both eyes.

Missed Mark King, Hg. 101st Inf., as he had left for St. Petersburg, Fla., last fall, also John King, 102nd F.A., from Lowell who sent me a card from Florida.

I had a couple of long letters from Edwin J. (Ted) Noyes, C Co. 104th Inf., WW-I, and who retired as a Colonel, USAF, WW-II. Ted has decided to live at Miami, Florida and is building a home there. He is now living at Coral Gables, until his home is finished.

I would highly recommend the Hospital to all members. The excellent care given by everyone in the hospital from Commandant John Quigley (Honorary Life Member of the YD Veterans Association), Night Manager Thomas Carroll, Doctor Glaser, Kaplan and Wong, Mrs. Jean Flaherty for all the X-rays taken. To all the nurses who attended me and helped bring my blood pressure down and assisted me in losing fifteen pounds in three weeks.

Thanks to George McDonald and Al Pacifici for covering my work at Headquarters. Also to Goldie, Marty, Rocco and others that helped me. To John Smith who typed articles for me. To Frank White who made the arrangements for me to go in. I just mentioned it to him one evening and in a few minutes he had called and made arrangements. (I would probably have put it off until later.)

1955 YDVA NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Front Row, Sitting: Karl H. Byam, Vice President; Dr. Chester P. Brown, President; Shirley B. Luscombe, Vice President. Back Row: John E. Blidberg, Treasurer; Archie J. Vigneault, Secretary; P.N.C. John W. Dunlap, Director; Charles Bailey, Vice President.

Welcome Buddies:

Pictured in above group is the nucleus of your 1955 Yankee Division Veteran's Association, National Convention Committee, which has already held several meetings forming the many groups of loyal YDers who will produce FOR YOU ALL another Bang-Up National Convention in The Queen City of New Hampshire.

Hon. Josaphat T. Benoit, Mayor of Manchester and our Chamber of Commerce have extended you all a royal welcome.

Edward T. (Ed) McShane the true friend and honorary member of Manchester Chapter YDVA, has graciously accepted the Honorary Presidency of our Convention Group. His suggestions and ideas will help us immensely in assuring you a "GRAAAND" Time.

Watch your "Yankee Doings" and your mail for more detailed information soon. "SO MAKE YOUR PLANS FOR "55" MANCHESTER, N.H., IS STILL ALIVE."

Till June 10, 11, 12

Archie J Vigneault, Secy.

P.S. Please rush advance registration money now —Boy you should hear our Finance boys scream for CASH—Just thought I'd let you know—"Vig".

PROMOTION

Ed Malone B Co., 101st Inf., WW-I, Ordnance, WW-II and member of the Boston Chapter received a well deserved promotion when he was made Master of the Deer Island House of Correction.

Ed is shown here with his two sons who were in the service in WW-II with him. Edwin Jr. at his right and Jack on his left.

NATIONAL SERVICE OFFICE

Are you an outdoors man during the winter—I mean, in your leisure hours?

Of course, the apartment is more comfortable but you don't feel so comfortable by bedtime. Cold weather stirs up your circulation in a way all its own and the moisture of the outdoor air keeps your mucous membranes moist, in contrast to the hot, dry air of the apartment which makes them dry and sticky, ready to catch and hold any bacteria which may come their way. (Or perhaps you keep water on the radiators, which helps a lot if a person is forced to stay indoors.)

And, by the way, are you keeping that waist line down? It's easy enough, with a horizontal bar. Macy, Abercrombie Fitch and Spaulding sell them—doorway bars that spread and hold without any screws. (Directions for exercising come with the bar.)

Joseph K. Surls, M.D.,
National Service Officer

POSTOFFICE BOX 44,
SWAMPSCOTT, MASS.

Dear Guy:

About a month ago a disastrous fire gutted my home, badly injuring my wife and killing our beloved French Poodle "Chisko", whom we brought home with us from Paris a couple of years ago. While my movies were in a safe place in the cellar, they were not damaged. I lost most of my slides I made of our trip. I also lost the September-October and November-December copies of Yankee Doings which were on my desk.

It would be greatly appreciated if you will run a notice requesting any persons who made the trip and have 35 mm colored slides if they will loan them to me for about a month so I may have copies made from them. This will not injure their film in any way and I will take every possible means to safeguard them while in my possession.

Also, can you send me about two copies of each of the two issues I lost?

Newton S. Courtney

"So What"

The Horse and Cow live thirty years
They never touch light Wines and Beers
Sheep and Goats are Dead at Twenty
They drink no Liquor—water plenty
At ten the Cat has lost nine lives
On milk and water no beast thrives
At five the Birds are mostly dead
They look not on wine that's Red
Bugs a few days remain on earth
They do not know the Cocktails worth
But awful wicked rum-soaked men
Live on for three score years and Ten.

Author Unknown

DEPARTMENT AND CHAPTER NEWS

National Commander: James F. B. Meikle, RFD 1, Unionville, Conn.
National Secretary: H. Guy Watts, 200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS

Commander: Roy W. Reimer, 39 Brookdale Rd., Brighton, Mass.
Secretary: Earl W. Eames, 206 Chestnut Hill Ave., Brighton, Mass.

The December meeting of the State Dept., Y.D.V.A., was held in Springfield on December 5, 1954. Acting Commander Roy Reimer who was confined in Chelsea Hospital was unable to attend and Jr. Vice Commander Contois conducted the meeting.

There was a very fine representation from the Chap-

ters. Reports from Chapters showed considerable hard work by chapter members and their auxiliaries in preparing for extensive Christmas parties, for YD Veterans, as well as all veterans hospitalized, and each chapter present also were planning to enjoy Children's Xmas parties in their individual chapter quarters.

National Commander James Meikle with his usual dependable attendance at Dept. meetings requested that there would be better and more sincere cooperation between State Department and Chapters, thereby insuring larger meetings.

As usual the fine responsive Ladies served an excellent lunch, which always appeals to the YDVA stomachs.

The Dept. January meeting was held on Sunday, Jan. 9, in the homelike atmosphere of Worcester.

Commander Reimer was in the chair, and the attendance was excellent.

To honor the occasion, Worcester Chapter unfurled for the first time two new and beautiful Flags, presented to them by the Auxiliary.

On reports by the various chapters in attendance, it was heart-warming to hear of the excellent work accomplished by YDVA and the Auxiliary in their Christmas work not only in VA Hospitals, but among the less fortunates in the Home Communities. YD will never die s long as there are such wonderful men and women, ctive in preserving the Yankee Division.

We were informed that the National Convention would be held at Manchester, N. H., and one can be assured that Massachusetts will be well represented.

Comrades, your Dept. Commander and Adjutant, are working to their physical limitations to make a larger. better and more lasting Y.D.V.A. When we were active members of the Yankee Division, there were no prouder or more loyal group of Soldiers, in Uncle Sam's army.

We would fight at the drop of a hat, to protect and preserve the name of Y.D.V.A. or one of its members. Today comrades, thirty-eight years since we first wore the lovable Y.D. uniform, there are today but a handful of seriously active and dependable working members.

Please sign up for Y.D.V.A. Please bring in your sons, if they are YD men. Attend your Chapter meetings. Interest your wives and daughters in the Auxiliary. The financial cost is small, the happiness gained is worthwhile. We Yankee Division Buddies, get a thrill when we see the old familiar insignia on a uniform. Enjoy the same thrill by wearing a YD button on your lapel.

No matter where you live, city or rural, you will always find a YD Veteran somewhere in the vicinity.

Please join up, please save the grand old name of which we are all so proud—"The Yankee Division."

Sincerely in Comradeship,

Roy Reimer, *Dept. Cmdr.*
Earle Eames, *Dept. Adjt.*

BOSTON CHAPTER

Commander: George F. Johnson
11 DeWolf St., Dorchester 25, Mass.

Secretary: H. Guy Watts
200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.

At the last meeting of the Boston Chapter, which was the Preparatory meeting the following were elected for the Nominating Committee: Edward Burke, Father Bransfield, Edward Kane, William Connors, Lewis Whittemore. At a meeting of the Nominating Committee, held at Father Bransfield's Parish House the following is the slate of Officers nominated for the coming year. Commander George A. McDonald, 1st Vice; William Coffey, 2nd Vice; Albert McPhee, 3rd Vice; John Coughlin, Treasurer; Albert M. Pacifici; Secretary, H. Guy Watts; Directors: One year, John H. Smith, J. H. Gillis. Two years, James H. Sullivan, John J. Callanan. Three years Angelo Mantenuto, Joseph N. Brackett.

An announcement in the papers recently of the retirement of five employees of the Dept. of Public Safety. Three of them were YD men. Wallace Day, MG. Co., 104th, member of Boston chapter. Patrick Healey, Hq. 101st Inf., and member Boston Chapter. Ray Beauding, A Co., 101st Engineers.

FITCHBURG CHAPTER

Commander: Elvio N. Ruberti
56 Boylston Street, Fitchburg, Mass.

Secretary: Ernest F. George
100 Pacific Street, Fitchburg, Mass.

Our December Meeting and Xmas Party was well attended by 50 members. Santa Claus arrived and, there were gifts for everyone present at the Xmas tree. As everyone opened their gifts, everybody's eyes were centered on Joe Black, as he happily removed the wrapper from his gift, to reveal a bottle. This was a "Revolting Development" as he had been off the stuff for six months, so he said. But none knew that, not even Santa Claus. So he was given a more suitable gift. After which he danced a jig, accompanied by musicians Rene Malouin and Victor Bean, who furnished the music for the entire evening.

An excellent supper of baked ham and all the fixings was served by Chef Bryce and the Committee, which consisted of Bob, Al and Ernie. And a good time was had by all far into the night. The attendance prize was won by Oscar Forsberg.

Our January Meeting was attended by 30 members, which was very good considering the time of year, when nearly everyone has colds. An invitation was accepted to attend the Jewish Tercentenary Celebration to be held in Leominster, Mass., and a delegation sent.

It was voted to draw up a resolution, for the consideration of the National Convention, to allow Veterans

to be admitted to V.A. Hospitals whether they are in or out of the service.

O'Brien was sent on his annual vacation to New York. Have a good time Bob. We saw some new faces at this meeting, some who have been absent for a long time. Come and see us more often fellows, and bring a prospective member.

There will be movies and entertainment at our February meeting. Let's all attend. See you all then.

LYNN CHAPTER

Commander: Charles Scanlon
113 Burrill St., Swampscott, Mass.

Secretary: Edmond Trudell
44 Bowler St., Lynn, Mass.

Our annual Christmas Party at Chelsea Soldiers' Home was a huge success, with a fine floor show or Y.D. Revue being presented under the direction of Tommie and Harry Freeman, and distribution of boxes under the direction of P.N.C. A. Raymond Doucette.

Assisting at the Hospital were Commander Charles Scanlon, Ed Saulnier, Eustis Grimes, Leslie Pugh, Leander Maes, Edwin Streeter, Robert Hurley, Edmond Trudell, Oliver Nichols, Walter Smith, Claude Hoag, Willis Harvey, Charles Benway, Leon Varnam, George Walton, Percy Paige, Samuel Colby and William Goodwin. Members who did an outstanding job in obtaining funds to make the party a success were: Roy Knox, William Clapp, Col. John Pickett, Clarence Sewell, Newton Courtney, Claude Hoag, Albert Couillard, Edgar Walsh, William Eddows, Robert Quinn, Richard Hennessey, Col. Peter O'Neill, Robert Hurley, Charles Scanlon, Eustis Grimes, Harold Hobson, Alphonse Adrien, Oliver Nichols and the Duke.

Plans are now under way for a Ladies Nite to be held the last Tuesday in February and also for our annual Hospital Fund Tag Day in April or June, under direction of Bill Eddows and Bob Hurley, assisted by Claude Hoag, Oliver Nichols, Sylvester "Bud" Morrison, Leonard Burn-

Members of the Lynn Chapter YDVA journeyed to the Soldiers Home in Chelsea shortly before Christmas to present gifts to all YD patients and present a professional star studded show for the 25th consecutive year.
Front row, left to right: Edmond Trudell, Sec.-Treas.; Leslie Pugh, Oliver B. Nichols, and Past National Commander, Raymond A. Doucette, who served as master of ceremonies.
Back row, left to right: Willis Harvey, Edward Saulnier, Commander Charles Scanlon, Past Commander Eustis Grimes and Robert Hurley. Past Commander Edward Streeter and Leander Maes were also present, but are not in the picture.

ham, Richard Hennessey, George Wood, Leslie Pugh, Edward Nicholson, Charles Benway, Commander Charles Scanlon and the Duke.

On our sick list are: Chester Matthews, 80 Fairview Ave., Peabody. Arthur MacMunn, U. S. Vets. Hospital, Jamaica Plain, Edgar Barnes, U. S. Vets. Hospital, Jamaica Plain, Henry Sullivan, 65 Hawthorne St., Lynn, Henry Graham, 29 Broad St., Salem. Albert Michaud, U. S. Vets. Hospital, Rutland, Mass., William Goodwin, John Adams Hospital, Chelsea, Francis Guindon, John Adams Hospital, Chelsea, Thomas Brady, 14 Elm St., Lynn.

One of our real loyal and hard working members had a sad event happen Jan. 8th. Newt. Courtney's home in Swampscott was destroyed by fire. His wife Rose was alone at home and escaped through a window, but Newt's two pets—a French Poodle he brought home last year from France and a Cocker Spaniel were lost in the fire. We extend our deepest sympathy to you and Rose, Newt.

—The Duke

NEW BEDFORD

Commander: William W. Dresner
140 Central Ave., New Bedford, Mass.

Secretary: Dester D. Dubois
106 Arnold St., New Bedford, Mass.

At this writing, Commander Bill Dresner, P.C., Arnd Duclos and Walter Johnson are busy trying to get Ders to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the YD Veterans Association, to be held at the Driftwood Restaurant, Pawtuxet, R. I. This meeting being held so close to New Bedford, ought to interest some members to attend.

December 21, YD Corps Director, P.C. Louis Marcoux and P.C. Alphonse Fortin, put on a Christmas Party for the Drum Corps members, attended by forty-one Corps members. All enjoyed Refreshments, Movies, exchange of presents and Dancing.

The Corps gave presents to Director Marcoux, Fortin and 1st Sergeant Patricia Brownell.

Incidentally, the last Tag Day of the Drum Corps brought in a total of $152.21. Expenditures for 1954 $220.00. Next Tag Day, June 3-4, 1955.

State Dept. of Y.D. informs us that three dues received is credited to the New Bedford Chapter. The members are, Malcolm Coderre, Preston Rowe and Eugene Sherin. Making our membership to date fifty-four.

I have not received word from any Comrade of any news good or bad, so I presume everything is quiet on all Fronts. But I believe there is some news. Why don't you fellows drop me a line telling me about yourself.

Don't forget our sick comrades, Ralph Swift and Joseph Gillow. They sure would appreciate a call or card from the boys.

Comrade Charley Stanley left Jan. 4, for sunny Florida to enjoy a couple months of warm Florida sunshine. ENVIOUS?

—Dester D. DuBois

NORTHAMPTON

Commander: Leon LaVallee
48 River Road, Leeds, Mass.

Secretary: Hoyt D. Clark
Rockland Heights, Northampton, Mass.

This is to let National know that this Chapter is still on the map even if yours truly does not send news in for every issue of Yankee Doings. Our membership is higher at this date than last year with some new faces added. Our regular meetings (first Thursday) have had a larger attendance but it could be better. The Activities Committee has promoted a Social evening of cards, entertainment, and general get-together on the third Thursdays of the month which should have a greater attendance. Nevertheless it is encouraging.

The Chapter and Auxiliary put on a party (Dec. 13) at the Leeds Veterans Hospital and had the Annual Kiddies Christmas Party the 18. Both Parties were a success. The Committees deserve great praise.

There is to be something special this month. Under the auspices of the Activity Committee there is to be a Roll Call Supper, January 15.

To all of you from all of us Best Wishes for a Happy New Year.

Hoyt D. Clark, *Secy.*

PLYMOUTH

"Plymouth Rock Chapter"

Commander: Alfred N. Gifford
3 Sagamore Street, Plymouth, Mass.

Secretary: Earl Alexander
65 Alden Street, Plymouth, Mass.

Last meeting Saturday, December 18, at our camp at West Pond Plymouth, twenty-six present.

President Al Gifford was chairman of the party with Louis Morton, John Cadman, Frank Monish, Karl Roberts and Mel Sampson assisting.

Short meeting at three P. M.

Supper, prepared by our own cooks was served at 5:30.

Charles Carver, Emile Savard, Walt Campbell and Joseph Doucette of Middleboro were present as well as Roy Beaman, John Murray, Emery Randall, Daniel Sullivan, Warren Dittman, Dave Dale, Clarence Sherman, A. J. Carr, James Eddy, Clifton Burgess and Earl Burgess.

Next meeting January 15.

Earl Alexander, *Secy.*

SPRINGFIELD

Commander: John L. Lowe
86 Court Street, Springfield, Mass.

Secretary: Thomas F. Crokan
86 Chilson Street Springfield Mass.

On Dec. 5, the Chapter was host to the Mass. State Dept. Meeting but the attendance was very small. It

seems to be that many of the Old Timers are relegated to the OLD ROCKING CHAIR and when that happens you're all done. At my age I am working 12 and 15 hours a day, down to a 148 and fit as a fiddle. The Ladies of the Auxiliary (Past Presidents), put on the Luncheon after the State Meeting, serving a nice New England Stew. Gosh it must have been terrible. The National Commander so the rumor goes, ate four bowls of it. He was accompanied by his Sgt.-at-Arms.

There are several of the WW-II Comrades in our Chapter who have become very active, and we look for more to do the same.

The Auxiliary held Christmas Parties at the Soldiers' Home and at Leed's, for the members who are patients there, and they did not forget George Lyons and Frank Reigner (Rutland and Leed's). Commander Lowe Patch, Curt Scagliarini and a few others helped the Auxiliary to pass out the gifts and the lunch. We were glad to know that State Commander Pro Tem and our State Sgt.-at-Arms are out of the hospital. See what I mean, you cannot keep the work horses down. They will do or die for Old YD.

Our membership is ahead of last year, but should be much better. If some of the paid-ups would make an effort to pick up some of the has-beens, the Chapter would reach the 150 mark this year.

The Chapter remembered all those Comrades who were sick at home or in hospitals at Christmas time with a nice gift box. Our new Hospital Committee appointed by the Commander are Jim Geary, Bill Fisher and two WW-II boys, Bill McCormick and Al Bergeron. The Committee is slated to visit at the Soldiers' Home and the Northampton Hospital at regular intervals.

Plans to have a party Feb. 19, were completed and all those attended had a good time. The subject of Life Memberships was discussed at the National Executive Meeting in Pawtuxet, R. I., and opinions and general criticism is asked for by the members of the YDVA.

The House Committee is doing a bang-up job and deserve a lot of credit and mostly a little more assistance. They are Comrades Patch, Johnson and Fisher.

The new hospital Committee appointed by Commander Lowe are Jim Geary as Chairman assisted by Bill Fisher, and two WW-II Comrades, Bill McCormick and Al Bergeron.

The Membership is still leading last year's number and it is hoped that some twenty more can be signed up before the Convention. The meeting of the National Executive Committee at Driftwood Inn very well proved the fact they are very necessary and it is very fortunate that the OLD KING PINS that give up their Sundays to be there and help shape the future of the YDVA. The Providence Chapter was very gracious in seeing us through on our Luncheon after the meeting.

The National Executive meeting also heard of the plans for the next Convention in Manchester, New Hampshire, and because of the limited number of good hotel rooms, all who are planning to go, better get their names to the Chapter secretary. The mystery that surrounds the Thursday night program has us teeming with curiosity and excitement. So get on the ball—the dates are the 9, 10, 11 and 12 of June, 1955.

Our new Dept. Secretary is Earl Eames and he is a real hustler. Yours truly hopes to make the New York meeting.

Tom Crokan, *Chapter Secy.*

WORCESTER CHAPTER

Commander: Roland M. Cook
16 Vista Drive, Shrewsbury, Mass.
Secretary: Sheldon L. Goodwin
3 Allen St., Worcester, Mass.

On Sunday, December 19, 1954, Worcester Chapter held its annual Christmas Party for children of members, or friends of members . . . with a crowd of over 130 children present. Executive committeeman Jack Brosnihan acted as Santa Claus and saw to it that each child received at least one gift, and a piece of fruit. Special movies were also shown, for children, as well as parents. This party is held every year, usually the Sunday before Christmas. Treasurer Harold Gould was chairman of the party this year. He was also chairman of the New Year's Party, which wasn't quite as successful as he had hoped. Nevertheless, a good gathering turned out for it, and seemed to have a very enjoyable evening.

All members of the chapter and auxiliary regret the death recently of Yvonne Grenier of the auxiliary; and that of Mrs. George Sloan of the chapter who is also member of the YD Club Board of Directors also the mother of Roy Premo. James Keirstead, a past commander of the chapter, who has had so much sickness during the past year, and been in the hospital so much; has just recently returned to the hospital once more in Boston, with a serious leg injury. The chapter, at its December meeting, voted to present 200 dollars to the Board of Directors of the Club, for inner repairs at the quarters in the near future.

Worcester chapter will have nomination of officers at is February meeting and Commander Roland Cook named, as his nominating committee, the following: Chairman Henry Contois, Harold Nute, John Morrissey, George Gaumond, and Sheldon Goodwin. This committee has already met once to consider prospective officers for the coming year, which starts in April. The chapter will have a candidate for the office of Senior-Vice Commander, in the coming State Department (YDVA), nominations to be held at Worcester, on Sunday, February 6th in the person of Henry Contois, our chaplain in the chapter.

We have a little unusual situation within the chapter in the following: Harold F. Gould, our present treasurer, was a veteran of Battery B, 102nd Field Artillery in WW-I; while his brother, Bernard C. Gould, was in Battery B, 102nd F.A., in the same war. And a son of the first brother. Harold A. Gould was a veteran officer (Lt. Col.) of the 181st Infantry in WW-II, serving overseas in a Combat Engineers Unit. He is now serving at the Pentagon Building, Washington, D. C., and is making a career

of the Army. These 3 veterans of both World Wars are all in the chapter. To top it off, Florence Gould, the wife of our chapter treasurer, Harold F. Gould is the president of our auxiliary. The wife of Harold A. Gould is eligible for auxiliary membership, but there is no unit at Washington, D. C., right now.

It is rather a belated time to do so, but our commander, Roland Cook, and all the officers and members of both the auxiliary and chapter wish all the luck to all other chapters everywhere, as well as a Happy New Year. Let us hope that everyone prospers at least twice as much as last year.

DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Commander: John F. Bechard, 208 Broad St., Portsmouth, N. H.
Secretary: Clarence L. Anderson, 139 Concord Way, Portsmouth, N. H.

The regular monthly meeting of the Dept. of N. H., YDVA, was held at Community Center Bldg., Portsmouth, N. H., Sunday, Nov. 28, 1954, with Dept. Commander John Bechard presiding with his usual efficiency.

Meeting was called to order at 2:30 P. M., with salute to the colors and an appropriate opening prayer followed by a reverent period of silent prayer in memory of our departed comrades.

Commander Bailey, Manchester YDVA, read a most cordial letter from the Mayor of Manchester, N. H., inviting the National YDVA to hold their 1955 convention at Manchester, N. H. He also read a letter received from the City of Manchester Chamber of Commerce indicating their support of our convention and rendering every assistance possible in seeing that our convention would even top that of the last YDVA convention held there in 1941.

A spirited discussion on membership was held particularly about members at large. It was the consensus that these members should identify themselves with YDVA chapters nearest their homes, and letters will be sent them to that effect.

Meeting of Dept. of N. H., held at Nashua, N. H., Jan. 23, 1955. We were pleased to have in attendance National Commander James F. B. Meikle and also Mrs. Meikle.

Also we had in attendance the Dept. Commander of Mass., Ray Reimer and Mrs. Reimer. Both gave interesting remarks on both the National organization and also the Dept. of Mass.

Commander Bechard called on P.N.C. John Dunlap for a few remarks and he spoke about the Convention that is to be held in Manchester.

Also we had in attendance P.N.C. Michael Dell Isola.

The Dept. of New Hampshire also went on record by a unanimous vote endorsing Clarence L. Anderson as a candidate for the office of National Commander for the coming year.

Chairman Dr. Chester Brown of Manchester gave an interesting report on the coming Convention which is to be held in Manchester June 10-11-12 and that the committees have all been appointed and are operating.

Commander John Bechard gave a report of a new Chapter that is going to be formed at Newmarket, N. H.

John F. Bechard

DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

Commander: Albert E. Lindgren, 1007 Campbell Ave., West Haven, Conn.
Secretary: H. Leroy Woodcock, 94 Elmwood Ave., Waterbury, Conn.

Meeting opened by Commander Lindgren at 3:30 P.M. The chair recognized N.C. Jim Meikle, Gen. Ernest Novey, PDCs John Carter, Paul Caravatt, Clarence Geer, Clyde Beckwith, Sam Marcus, Roy Woodcock and Tom Porter.

Illness: JVC Riickerl and Chapter Commanders report Alex Tournnud of Manchester and Homer Pelletier of Hartford at Newington; Steffan Garuder of Stamford at Rocky Hill; Judge Advocate Dwight Chapman of New Haven at Room 505 St. Raphaels, New Haven; John Welch at West Haven Hospital; Charles Sturgeen (Bristol), Ed Frazier (Manchester), John Richardson (Torrington) now home.

Chaplain Porter reports taking care of cards for the sick and urges members attending State Meetings to sign cards ready to go out. Sam Tubin and Commander Lindgren plan to visit hospitals this week. SVC Farnsworth plans to help New Britain and Roy Woodcock plans to contact Middletown members.

Letter from Doc. W.P.S. Keating, wintering at 1715 McKinley St., Hollywood, Florida, says he has seen some YD men. PDC Larry Lindgren, Joe Barrett, Charles Maass. PCC Capt. Geer reports visiting Col. Harry Bissell, now convalescing from a serious operation at Sea Colony, Pompano Beach, Florida. Harry would like to hear from his YD buddies.

A Connecticut Dept. resolution, honoring Will Salladin, former Conn. Dept. Officer, was voted to be presented to Mrs. Salladin at the March meeting at Bristol.

Good of YDVA: NC Jim Meikle gratified to see New Britain holding State Meeting. He was glad to see such

a fine attendance. He hopes a successful effort can be made to get more of the potential membership at Meriden and New London. Perhaps a list of YD men in the area sent to the chapters may help our State Meetings be better attended and more interesting.

A placque made by Ray MacNichol of Samford in honor of the Giovanni Cavallari Veterans Home in Torrington was presented by NC Jim Meikle to Gen. Novey who will in turn present it to the home.

Gen. Novey thanked Ray and the Stamford men for the placque, commended New Britain Chapter for the State meeting, and stated that Certilleaux Chapter of Torrington is proud to have a half dozen active from WW-II. Other Chapters should sign up more of these WW-II men.

Stamford reports giving a YD ring to Harry Dunn, who is a wheel chair case, and appreciated having NC Jim Meikle there to present it.

Commander Evans of Hartford announced that Harry Anderson's will provided for a gift of $500 to Hartford Chapter for its welfare work.

Commander Lindgren stated that the last issue of Yankee Doings had a good coverage of Connecticut Chapter News. Keep it up. It was good to see a couple of men from Manchester present and former Dept. Sgt.-at-Arms Euclid Pimpare of Willimantic.

Clyde Beckwith,
Conn. Dept. Secy.

BRISTOL MONT SEC CHAPTER

Commander: Samuel Strupp
48 Burlington Ave., Bristol, Conn.

Secretary: George C. Graham
22 High St., Bristol, Conn.

Mont Sec. Chapter held its regular monthly meeting January 14, 1955 at the Elks Home 124 South Street, Bristol, Conn.

There were 16 members present with their ladies. We were pleased to have Labriola and Clyde Brooks back with us again.

Remarks on the good of Y.D.V.A. were made by National Commander Meikle, Past Dept. Commander Clyde Beckwith, Al Block and others. As Jimmy Durante says everybody got into the act, and we had a very fine and interesting meeting.

After adjournment the ladies joined us and we enjoyed a very fine smorgasbord lunch, a good time was had by all.

Members who fail to attend don't realize what they are missing. Come on fellows everybody out for the next meeting. George C. Graham, *Secy.*

HARTFORD CHAPTER

Commander: Arthur J. Evans

95 Jordan Lane, Wethersfield, Conn.
Secretary: Carroll B. Case
23 Harvard St., Hartford 10, Conn.

Continuing the annual custom of honoring its past Commanders at one of the regular meetings of the Hartford Chapter, December 2, was designated "Past Commander's" Night! We were fortunate in having most of our former leaders present, beginning with our first Commander Edgar F. Miller, and followed by William L. Sullivan, Joseph P. Foley, Benjamin A. Bourn, Harry T. Robertson, John R. Edwards, Harold W. Ellingwood, Paul J. Caravatt, Henry A. Beebe, Leonard H. Fletcher, Charles D. Perry, Howard W. Titus, George J. Farnsworth, Samuel Tubin and Carroll B. Case. We missed John C. Carter because of business commitments, and John J. Goss and John J. Costello, confined to home due to ill health.

A luncheon was prepared by Sam Tubin and Nap White of the kitchen detail. Colored motion pictures were shown after the meeting.

We mourn the loss of a good friend and wonderful gentleman, Harry N. Anderson, honorary member, who died Christmas Day after a long illness. Mr. Anderson was prominent in sports in Hartford for many years. He sponsored a "Sports" Night program for the Chapter each year. He served with the Y.M.C.A. in WW-I and was attached to the 26th Division. In his will, he left a fund to be used by the Chapter.

Our Commander Arthur J. Evans recently retired from the Railway Postal Transportation Service after 32 years on the road. He has entered into private business, and with the regular hours under this new enterprise he is able to devote more time to the benefit of the YD.

Plans are progressing for the annual banquet sponsored by the Chapter to be held Saturday night, February 5, at our club headquarters in the D.B.S. Hall on White Street. National Commander James Meikle and his Sgt.-at-Arms Howard W. Titus have accepted our invitation to attend as has National Secretary, Guy Watts. We are looking forward to a large attendance for this party.

C.

NEW BRITAIN CHAPTER

Commander: Orville S. Ventres
Lower Lane, Berlin, Conn.

Secretary: James W. Post
86 Maple Street, New Britain, Conn.

Sunday, January 9, 1955 we held the Connecticut Dept. State Meeting at the State Armory and we had about 100 present at the meeting.

The meeting was opened by Commander Al Lindgren and there were N.C. James Meikle, Gen. E. E. Novey, P.D.C. Roy Woodcock, Capt. Geer, Tom Porter, Sam Marcus and Clyde Beckwith. The one we missed very much was my pal Mr. YD himself, P.N.C. Al Herman. I hope you are allright Al.

We had quite a meeting—lots of eats and lots of stuff that goes with the eats, and some wonderful prizes for the drawing. We sure thank the members of the New Britain Chapter for the food and prizes to make this meeting a success. Our Chapter meeting is on Jan. 14, at 8 P. M. We hope to have a large crowd.

James W. Post, *Secy.*

WINDHAM COUNTY CHAPTER

Commander: Euclid Pimpare
466 Pleasant St., Willimantic, Conn.

Secretary: Gardiner Hall
South Willington, Conn.

We are still on the map. Other than routine meetings which are held in the members homes, there isn't too much doing. The boys are getting older. These home meetings are convenient and more sociable. Our membership is good for this time of year but should be completed.

Our Christmas Party was very much a success with the usual "Gang" on hand. A nice Steak Dinner and an exchange of presents was enjoyed by all. Standbys such as Marty Cohen and Nelson Wraight and Harold Gray were missed. Others were missed, but too far away to be on hand.

Lindgren, Doc. Keating, Chas. Maass were all spoken of and best wishes to you all. No meetings until March. We have lost by death, two fine YD boys during the past year. Eddy Donovan of New Britain and Walter Mather of Willington. Both of the 102nd Inf. Reg. Bob Frailey has recently been promoted to Office Manager of the American Thread Co., Willimantic. Congratulations, Bob.

Doc. Keating is "Summering" this Winter in Florida. Wonder if Doc is in a bathing suit. Your Secretary, who has recently taken his seat in the Legislature isn't sure if it's a healthy place or not. Tell you better in a couple of months from now.

Your Secretary is also moving in the spring. Taking over a family homestead at that time. Signing off this time with a reminder to you Gents to get in your dues.

—G. H. H.

NORWALK CHAPTER

Commander: Cleveland C. Brown
98 East Ave., Norwalk, Conn.

Secretary: Albert W. Herman
3 Alden Avenue, East Norwalk, Conn.

The January Meeting was held at the home of Henry and Mabel Woods. Commander Cleveland Brown opened the meeting at 8.30 P.M. in regular form.

Service Officer Hermas Poirier reported that Past Commander Elwood Broadway was discharged from the West Haven Veterans Hospital and has moved with his family to California to make his permanent home there. We all hope that Elwood will always remain as a member of the Norwalk Chapter. Good luck to the Broadway family. A report from the recent executive committee which was held in Norwalk. A profit of $34.00 was made by the committee and divided between the chapter and the YD Auxiliary. Nice going.

Past Commander James Powers is a patient at the West Haven Veterans Hospital. Drop him a line, Jim will be glad to hear from you. Plans are in the works for a Seichprey Reunion in April. H. Woods is already working on the project. It should be a good one.

Some of our members will be represented at the Hartford and New York annual Dinners in February.

The Norwalk Chapter voted to remain in the Norwalk Veterans Council for another year. Sam Poley thinks that there should be a YD meeting at least one a week.

Al Herman, *Secy.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE MIDDLE WEST

Commander: Edmund D. O'Connell, 7919 So. Union Ave., Chicago, Ill.

CLEVELAND, OHIO

Commander: Stephen Gohring
2232 Barrington Rd., Cleveland Hgts, Ohio

Secretary: Ben Zuchowski
13509 Ashburton Rd., Maple Hgts, Ohio

The Ohio Chapter was visited by the National Commander in December of '54. It took a lot of phone calls but a group of eleven turned out to welcome him. An informal meeting was held at the Hollenden Hotel, shortly after the Turkey dinner and other refreshments were consumed. The meeting was actually an open discussion on ways to better the organization in every way possible. Hotel reservations were made by the Commander Stephen Gohring, and transportation to and from the airport was furnished by James T. Kilbane. The National Commander appeared to enjoy his short visit with us as much as we were pleased with his being here. His ready answers to all questions poured to him, left us with the impression that the right man was elected to the office.

Present at the meeting, (and we are sure the turnout would have been larger if we had a little more time) were: Gohring, Kilbane, Wells, Baldo, Buehner, Reihl, Dulude, Schnell, Gonsalves, Bastel and Zuchowski.

The Chapter held a joint Xmas and New Year's Party, Sunday, Jan. 9. It was quite successful with a turnout of almost all of the present membership. James Kilbane headed the committee and as usual saw to it that there was plenty of everything. Kilbane is a good YD man, you can never get too many members like him in any Chapter.

One of our WW-II boys bought himself a brand new home in Parma Hts. Nice going Emil Yurcik, and it's a house-warming we'll be going to.

That's it for now,

Ben Zuchowski, *Secy.*

NATIONAL YD AUXILIARY

President: Florence Tarleton, 17 Highland Ave., Haverhill, Mass.
Secretary: Carrie Rowell, 11 Henry Street, Haverhill, Mass.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I have had pleasant visits with Springfield Auxiliary at the dedication of their New Rooms, and they are fine rooms, nicely decorated and outfitted. I wish more of us were as fortunate. Worcester Auxiliary invited me to their Christmas Party and I enjoyed it very much. As usual I went away from there too well fed. I visited the Department of New Hampshire Auxiliary meeting held in Portsmouth in December.

Some of the Auxiliaries have new officers being installed and new fiscal years beginning at this time. Now is the time for some active work on getting in the dues, and possibly some new members. Are you thinking over the possibility of changing your fiscal year to coincide with the National Year? It would be easier for your National Treasurer, and your auxiliary treasurer, to keep per capita records. When your new officers are installed notify the National Secretary so that notices will go to the proper persons.

Why not get your uniform material from Signe Nute and have a suit ready for the convention when it is held in Manchester, N. H. The patterns are McCall's 8218 for misses sizes and 8730 for half sizes. Those who obtained material from Minnie Gilliam and did not pay her before she left should make payment to Mrs. Nute.

Don't forget your resolutions for By-laws to be acted on at convention should be submitted to Past President Irene Melville, who is chairman of By-Laws committee.

Jr. Vice President Catherine Reimer has given out aprons to the auxiliary members. Each member is asked to measure her waistline and fill the pocket of the apron. If you have not received an apron, see that your auxiliary president gets the pennies for the pocket just the same.

Send your clippings to the National Historian, with pictures if possible. Florence Premo, Defense Chairman, gave us a fine report at the meeting held in Providence, Sunday, January 16, 1955. It is important that each of us make provisions for care of our families, first aid, heat, light, and communications. If any of us have time to donate we should contact our local Civilian Defense committee and volunteer for work. Any volunteer work done by auxiliary members should be reported to Mrs. Premo.

Keep a record of your activities and report to your committee chairmen; that we may have a good record for convention.

Register as early as possible for Convention. Back the Convention Corporation as Manchester gave us a good time before and I am sure they will again.

HAVERHILL YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Florence Tarleton
19 Highland Ave., Haverhill, Mass.

Secretary: Carrie E. Rowell
11 Henry St., Haverhill, Mass.

The Haverhill Auxiliary held their annual Christmas Party at DiBurro's Restaurant. A delicious supper was served after which the regular meeting was held with election of Officers for the coming year. Santa paid us a visit with gifts for all present. Gifts were sent to our YD Mothers, also Comrades confined at home and hospitals.

Sorry to say at this time we lost one of our YD Mothers right after the Holidays.

We made plans for our installation for Jan. 22 and our Dept. President Stella Lavalle and Sgt.-at-Arms Signe Nute will be the installing officers.

Zelma Comeau will be our new President. She did a wonderful job as Sr. Vice. The following Officers are Jr. Vice, Julia Patnode; Jr. Vice, Jennie Jalbert; Secretary, Florence Tartleton; Treasurer, Carrie Rowell; Chaplain Albina Comeau; Historian, Catherine Hamilton; Sgt.-at-Arms, Alice Deloria; Trustees, Catherine Burnham, Beatrice Barnett, Ruth Meyer.

Gifts were presented to the out-going and incoming Presidents also to the installing officers. We had the honor of having Dept. Commander Roy Reimer and National Jr. Vice Catherine Reimer. Also Leon Lavalle and Harold Nute. A social time was enjoyed by all.

By the time this is read, Perry and Florence Tarleton will be enjoying the sunny weather of Florida. There will be a YD reunion with the Gilliams and Birds. Best of luck to you all, and hope to see you in Manchester in June.

Carrie E. Rowell, *Secy.*

SPRINGFIELD YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Julia Cioch
8 Cowles Ct., Westfield Mass.

Secretary: Marge Scagliarini
18 Norfolk St., Springfield, Mass.

The month of December, 1954 was a rather busy one for the Springfield Auxiliary. On December 5, we were hosts to the Massachusetts State Dept. The Past President's were in charge of refreshments and an old-fashioned "stew" was served which seemed to hit the spot with all.

On December 16, Kit Crokan, Service Office and her committee held a Christmas party for the men at the Holyoke Hospital. There were Christmas boxes, enter-

tainment and refreshments which the men seemed to enjoy very much. On Dec. 30, Kit Crokan and committee held another Christmas Party for the men at Leed's Hospital. We were pleased to have quite a few of the men from the Chapter at both of these parties as we do appreciate their help.

On Dec. 20, we held our annual Christmas Party of which Loretta Huntley was Chairman. We had a delicious dinner which was served by five "handsome waiters" from the Chapter, namely, Roswell Patch, Bill Fisher, Bob Beach, Jim Geary and Will Dambroise, they even did the dishes—thanks fellows for a grand job.

Don't forget ladies our meetings are held the 3rd Monday of each month.

Our President Julia Cioch has been a busy person taking in all of the out-of-town meetings she possibly can and also representing us at a number of installations of other Veterans Organizations. That's all for now, until the next time.

Marge Scagliarini, *Secy.*

WORCESTER YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Florence Gould
61 Paine St., Worcester, Mass.

Secretary: Mary T. Boyd
413 West Main St., Northboro, Mass.

We had our annual Xmas party and our National President Florence Tarleton and our Dept. President Stella Lavallee both attended as our guests and we had a nice dinner and party. On New Year's Eve we attended open house at our Club and Roy and Katherine Reimer came up from Boston to see the New Year in with us. All had a grand time. On Sunday, Jan. 9, we were host to our Dept. for the regular monthly meeting and will be host again for the February meeting. So now we will get back to work again as our meeting will be on Jan. 20.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary T. Boyd, *Secy.*

DEPT. OF NEW HAMPSHIRE YDVA AUXILIARY

President: Malena Byron
156 Sagamore St., Manchester, N. H.

Secretary: Eva L. Brown
747 Hanover St., Manchester, N. H.

We wish to extend our New Year's greetings to all the comrades and Auxiliary members.

The Department Auxiliary assisted the YDVA Department Comrades by giving a Christmas Beano Party at the V.A. Hospital in Manchester in December.

Our Charter was draped in memory of our beloved member Eunice Weaver, our former Department Chaplain. Clarel Lovejoy was appointed temporary chaplain until the next installation.

We had the honor of having our National President Florence Tarleton with us, and she spoke on Rituals.

Our President, Malena Byron donated a mirror. This was a project to raise funds. It was successful ,and Justine Bechard was the winner of the mirror.

A substantial committee of Portsmouth Auxiliary members, assisted by the YDVA comrades, served a most delicious lobster salad supper. There was a large attendance.

Respectfully submitted,
Eva L. Brown, *Dept. Secy.*

MANCHESTER, N. H., YDVA AUXILIARY

Acting President: Eula Loxton
RFD 2, Manchester, N. H.

Secretary: Betty Fallon
97 Prospect St., Manchester, N. H.

Our Auxiliary has been saddened by the death of our dear President Eunice Weaver. Eunice was all YD and a faithful member and worker. She also had been Dept. Chaplain for several years and rarely missed a meeting. The charter was draped in loving memory of Eunice at our December meeting.

We had a Christmas party with the chapter at the December meeting with an exchange of gifts and a delicious lunch. As usual we decorated a Christmas tree at the V.A. hospital. Entertainment at the V.A. hospital was well provided during the holiday season, so this year the Auxiliary donated a year's subscription to the daily newspaper plus several popular magazines.

At our January meeting Clara Vigneault was appointed as alternate Hospital chairman to assist chairman Eula Loxton. We also voted to change the dates of our fiscal year. Now our dues will coincide with National, due July 1. We were very proud and happy to welcome three new members, Mrs. Ruth Bailey, Elizabeth Quirk, and Ethel Black.

The 1955 Convention is in Manchester and excitement is high with talks of programs and plans. We will have more news for you a little later.

May you all have a Happy and Successful New Year.

Betty Fallon, *Secy.*

YDVA AUXILIARY OF PHILADELPHIA

President: Jean Ross
108 Ardsley Road, Philadelphia

Secretary: Dorothy Raver
2439 Ardsley Avenue, Glenside, Pa.

For many perhaps, thoughts of Christmas were about over after the last flickering Christmas candle was extinguished sometime last month. But who of us YDers here in Philadelphia area can forget the wonderful Christmas party we gave for our own YD small-fry?

Remember their faces (all except Larry) as they watched in rapt attention the antics of the puppets? Our thanks to Marge Drollinger whose good idea it was to have the puppet show for their entertainment. I'm sure all of us, except perhaps his mother, had to chuckle a bit when little Larry Hinds quietly but firmly refused to watch the puppet show and turned his back on it for 2 hours because he came solely to see Santa Claus and to eat —nothing else.

The YD "Dugout" was gaily decorated for the party. Credit for the decorating goes to Emma Frazier who did a grand job. The twenty or more children ate, spilled and dribbled ice cream, homemade cookies, candy, milk, etc., while we got in the act too with our barbeque sandwiches and coffee.

John Schork carried out his role of Santa again with all the pomp, pillows and big Ho-ho's of Santa-type laughter which impressed all, frightened some, and endeared that be-whiskered gent to each and every little one present. Santa gave each child a gift to open and reminded them all to "be good". A job well done John! After seeing the splendid cooperation of the YD gang here in putting on this party for the kids, no one could doubt but that, after all, in a manner of speaking, there really is a Santa Claus.

At this point I'd like to scratch out my New Year's message to all of you patient YD comrades—You'll have to be patient because I wrote the following poem under the influence of nothing more than a cup of coffee, believe me:

1955 WISHES TO YDVA

If I could wish for YDVA
All the things I'd like to say
This magazine would be too small
For dreams are like a small snowball
When given a push by me or you
They'd grow to fill a volume or two.
Now nineteen fifty-five is here,
And may it be a prosperous year,
So that each Chapter, John and Joe
Has least one buck more than we owe.
May membership reach a new high peak
For that is surely a goal to seek.
May all our officers be wise,
The steady, prudent sort of guys.
Our Comrades Loyal support we need
As in the past, in every deed.
But if we find our Treasury's broke,
And all our dreams go up in smoke,
Remember this motto, that in the end
"'Tis better to smoke in this world my friend
Than in the next," don't you agree?
Cheers and good luck to the old YD!

MAJ. GEN. CLARENCE R. EDWARDS CHAPTER AUXILIARY

President: Ellowean Anderson
139 Concord Way, Portsmouth, N. H.

Secretary: Laurice J. Harmon
116 Whipple Road, Kittery, Maine

Meeting was held on December 3. We have three new members.

Our own Christmas Party was held jointly with the Chapter. An exchange of gifts followed by a grand lunch of ice cream, coffee, and Christmas cakes, served by Gertrude Drusendahl and Grace Conlon.

On December 14, the Auxiliary and Chapter held a Christmas Party at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital, under our Chaplain Gertrude Drusendahl, assisted by several members.

Gifts, ice cream, cake, candy, and apples were given each one of the boys.

Several went to Manchester on December 15, to assist in a Beano Party at the Veterans Hospital, sponsored by the State Dept. of N. H.

A Penny Sale was held. Lunch was served by Ellowean Anderson, and Bertha Huntress.

"E" COMPANY ECHOES

It's a long time between issues, with two excuses . . . One is the scarcity of news sent in by volunteer reporters, which is enough in itself . . . The other is the rather busy life led by Ye Editor which doesn't give him much chance to operate as a publisher and make up dope to "beef up"

the sheet . . . However, here we go again with a note made on a piece of wrapping paper on July 28 (it looks like) on the main stem in Hyannis, just after running into RUSS FRANCIS who was vacationing in Wellfleet and had come up to bustling Hyannis on a shopping expedition . . . He looked fine and fit . . . At last we learned where the "E-F" party was held during the YD Convention . . . We had a first report on the event from MAURY COCKERY and another from Lee Redfield but neither happened to mention where it took place . . . The Lobster Claw, on Huntington Avenue, was the place and apparently all were well pleased with it . . . The basic elements in reporting, so we've heard, are when, where, why and who . . . We had 'em all except the "where" and now that's taken care of . . . A lot ado about nothing, say you all! . . . JOHN GREIM read the list of departed "E" men whose memory is never forgotten at our reunions.

On my return from vacation, found a nice letter from Captain (now Lt. Col.) JOHN LANGLEY written at Riviera, Texas, July 27th . . . It's hard to believe that he's 76 years of age but he's still very lively as he always was when we were his responsibility thirty-six years ago . . . He had to give up his raising of gourds as his water supply went salty and by the time a new well was drilled he decided something less tiring was desirable . . . He's now raising chickens—white S.C. Leghorns of pedigreed stock—and, after early problems, feels like an experienced hand at it, with incubator, electric brooder, etc. . . . Was building extra working space to take care of this venture . . . His family was doing well . . . One son was in command of an Engineer Battalion in Korea . . . Another is a lawyer in Mexico City and his two daughters e married and living fairly near his P.C. so he is very ppy about them all, including the ten grandchildren they .ve provided him . . . He was interested in getting a copy the picture of FRED CAMPBELL and BILL KEARNS mentioned in last issue and I believe that has been taken care of as I passed on his desire to FRED . . . The Captain wanted to be remembered to you all . . . PERLEY McLELLAN also wanted one of those pictures so FRED was kept busy for a while filling orders . . . PERLEY was also going to write OLLIE THOMAS for railroad pictures in which he is interested . . . He also sent his regards to all of the old gang . . . Had a nice letter from HERBY (THIRSTY) THURSTON who reported that he sees very few of our old buddies but bumps into HERB DENNER, WARREN McLEOD and HUTCH once in a while . . . He says WARREN, who lives in Needham, as does "THIRSTY," seems to look younger and sprightlier even than he did when he was a dashing young Engineer . . . That's not an exact quote, but it's near enough . . . JIM CHISHOLM dropped in to the office on August 27th . . . He was looking well but still has to take it easy for several months—no golf or anything the least bit strenuous . . . Was expecting to take an easy trip in October with his wife, an annual event in pleasant memory of their wedding trip . . . We understand ORVILLE CASELEY and his younger daughter flew to England for a vacation this summer, visiting his first daughter and his three grandchildren . . . We see ORVILLE once in a while at a distance but haven't had a chance to talk to him . . . ERNEST TORREY sent us a postal card in October showing a picture of the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, New Hampshire, saying he was sorry he couldn't have been there when the YD had a memorial meeting there the previous Sunday . . . That's the first we've heard from ERNIE for a long time.

Now we regret we have some very sad news to report . . . BILL MATTSON'S wife had a long series of illnesses, operations, etc., with very little respite in between . . . In spite of the best medical attention, she died on Oct. 16th . . . Flowers were sent from the Veterans of Company E but there wasn't time to get out a notice to you all . . . My wife and I attended the funeral representing Company "E" and there may have been others there as well . . . I'm sure you all join in expressing deep sympathy to MATTY and his daughter in their great loss . . . Had a fine letter from MATTY later, expressing appreciation and thanks for the thought and the remembrance.

It is now time to draw this to a close, reporting on subscriptions received since last issue from: GEORGE GILLMAN, JOHN LANGLEY, PERLEY McLELLAN, HERBIE THURSTON and BILL HUTCHESON, CHARLIE HURTER, JOHN ROONEY, HAROLD BROWNSON, and hope you all had a happy Armistice Day. That's what we still will always call it, even though the Congress has officially changed the name to Veterans' Day!

Speaking of that Day which has been renamed "Veterans' Day" by the Congress—it will always be Armistice Day to us—saw CHARLIE HURTER, HAROLD BROWNSON and JOHN ROONEY at the annual 11-11-11 Club meeting and it was good to be able to chat with them for a while . . . JOHN, in his eagerness to be at the meeting on time, drove a bit too fast and HAROLD "Gravel" BROWNSON, (so it says on my report of a conversation with our alert reporter who shall remain incognito) saw that he was taken care of . . .His son, John, Jr., is with the Signal Corps in Germany . . . We were sorry to hear that BABE MURDY had to spend some time in the hospital but we hope he's getting along well by this time . . . Saw FRANK COPPINGER on Tremont Street on November 12th . . . didn't have a chance to stop as I wasn't alone, but it seemed to me that FRANK was looking hale and hearty as of yore . . . See WALTER RIPLEY fairly frequently and he looks his usual cheerful self . . . Bumped into FRANK MacKENNA in the Parker House Lobby on November 22, and he seems to be enjoying the privilege of thumbing his nose at his alarm clock and doing things in his own good time in retirement . . . He wanted to be remembered to you all . . . Early in November the local (Quincy) press carried the news that GEORGE GILLMAN'S daughter, Mrs. Estelle Scales of Hartford and a partner won more than $1,000 in gifts on the Big Payoff—a New York TV program . . . It's nice to know the father of a winner of some of those things we've been hearing about for years . . . That's the closest most of us will get to hitting the jack-pot, probably.

LET'S STICK TOGETHER

103rd U.S. INFANTRY VETERANS ASSOCIATION

A special meeting was held at the Henry J. Sweeney Post No. 2, The American Legion, Manchester, New Hampshire, on Sunday afternoon, January 16, 1955, at 2:30 P. M. This is the first meeting of the season. A real good start and everyone seemed to be in a happy frame of mind and confident of going places and making this 1955 REUNION to be held in Manchester, N. H., one of the outstanding affairs of all time.

This is how they are going to do it. Instead of holding the reunion of the 103rd US Infantry Vets Association as planned in May of '55, it is the intention of the body at this meeting in order to arouse interest in the organization in the State of New Hampshire, and the City of Manchester; the much needed push required; to tie in with the National Convention Corporation of the Yankee Division that is holding the National Convention in Manchester, New Hampshire, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 10, 11 and 12 of 1955, and make this one of the biggest events of all time. The weather conditions should be better than in May too.

All members will be notified in due time of the plan formulated by the various committees tied in with the National Convention Corporation of the Yankee Division in the State of New Hampshire. The President, Thomas J. Quirk, of Manchester is anxious to get the committees rolling as soon as possible. There is much printing to be done and mailed to the members, news of the activities to take place.

Walter M. Jones, *National Secy.*

★★★ TAPS ★★★

PETER PETRATHELIS, formerly with Bty. 'D', 101st F.A., died suddenly Nov. 27, 1954 at Salem, Mass. He was a former member of the Salem and Lynn Chapters.

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RALPH T. COLWELL, formerly with Co 'I', 103rd Inf., died suddenly at Togus, Maine Veterans' Hospital. Burial was from his home in Eastport, Maine on Dec. 7.

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SUMNER C. JACOBS, formerly with Hdqrs. 101 F.A., WW-I, died at Winchester, Mass., December 2, 1954.

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FRED H. BALBONI, formerly with Co 'B', 104 Inf., WW-I, died at Newington, Conn., Vets. Hospital, Dec. 3, 1954. He was a former member of the Springfield Chapter YDVA. Burial was from his home in Indian Orchard, Mass.

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WALTER L. HOWLAND, formerly with Hdqrs. Co 104 Inf., WW-I, died at Auburn, Maine, Nov. 28, 1954.

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WILLIAM H. HAGGINS, formerly with Co 'B', 104 Inf., WW-I, died at the Vets Hospital at Holyoke, Mass., Nov. 26, 1954. He was a former member of the Springfield Chapter.

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LEE F. MORRIS, formerly with Co 'D', 101 Eng., WW-I, died Dec. 9, 1954, at Wollaston, Mass. He was a former member of the Boston Chapter.

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JOHN A. RUSSELL, formerly with Co 'C', 101st Eng., WW-I, died December 13, 1954. His home was in Dorchester, Mass.

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JAMES W. SWEANY, formerly with Co 'B', 101 Eng. WW-I, died in Brockton, Mass., Nov. 10, 1954. He was a member at large of the YDVA since 1921.

WILLIAM WHITE, formerly with Co 'B', 101 Inf., WW-I, died suddenly at his home in Charlestown, Mass., Dec. 17, 1954. He was a member of the Boston Chapter YDVA.

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WILLIAM N. SALLADIN, formerly with Division Hdqrs, WW-I, died after a long illness. He was the Secretary of the Mont Sec Chapter of Bristol, Conn., for many years, until recently when he had to give up the position on account of ill health.

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ARTHUR J. PETERS, formerly with Co 'B', 101 Eng., WW-I, died Dec. 18, 1954 at Rumford, Maine.

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CARL T. PINN, formerly with Co 'A', 101 Eng., WW-I, died at Fort Belvoir, Va., where he was serving at a Mst/Sgt. He served through WW-II, and stayed in the service until his death.

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EDMUND O'CALLAGHAM, formerly with Bty 'C', 101 F.A., WW-I, died recently.

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CHARLES PARRY, formerly with Bty. 'C', 101 F.A., WW-I, died recently.

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RUSSELL FRANCIS, formerly with Co 'E', 101 Eng. WW-I, died Jan. 1, 1955 at Newton, Mass. He was a former member of the Boston Chapter.

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MARTIN J. ROSENSTEIN, formerly with the 101st Eng., W-II, died suddenly by accident Dec. 27, 1954 at Lynn, Mass.

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ALCIDE TESSIER, formerly with Co 'A', 103 Inf., WW-I, died at the Veterans Hospital, Manchester, N. H., Dec. 7, 1954.

JOHN S. GOODWIN, formerly with Co 'F', 101 Eng., WW-I, died suddenly in St. Petersburg, Nov 22. Burial was at Beverly, Mass.

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JOHN A. CLARK, formerly with Co 'A', 101 Inf., WW-I, died at Dedham, Mass. He was a former member of the Boston Chapter.

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CHESTER A. MORTON, formerly with the Med. Det., 104th Inf., WW-I, and the 101st Ammunition Train died January 5, 1955 at Somerville, Mass.

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JOHN J. CONNORS, formerly with Military Police, WW-I, died at Fitchburg, Mass. He was a former member of the Fitchburg Chapter.

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SAEKIS GASHGORIAN, formerly with Co 'A', 104th Inf., WW-I, died at New Britain, Conn., Jan. 2, 1955. He was a former member of the New Britain Chapter YDVA.

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GEORGE W. MacFARLAND, formerly with Co 'D', 103 MG Bn., died in West Park, N. Y., recently.

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WILLIAM H. LaCLAIR, formerly with 'A', Co 101st Eng., WW-I, died in Slocum, R. I. recently. He was a former member of the Apremont Chapter of Pawtucket, R. I.

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CHARLES E. DAVIS, former Lieut. in Co 'L', 103 Inf., died Jan. 6, 1955 at Eastport, Maine. He was former Postmaster of Eastport and was with the P. O. Dept. for over 40 years.

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HARRY N. ANDERSON, an Honorary member of the Hartford Chapter died Dec. 26, 1954. He served as a YMCA Secretary with our Division in France. He was a good program director for the Hartford Chapter meetings.

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DWIGHT W. CHAPMAN, formerly with Co ? 102nd Inf., died Jan. 24. He was Judge Advocate of Conn. State Dept., YDVA and Past Commander, New Haven, Chapter.

JOHN J. LALLY, formerly with the 104th Ambulance Co., WW-I, died December 4, 1954.

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PALMER MITCHELL, formerly with Co 'C', 101st Field Signal Bn., WW-I, died recently.

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HENRY NORRINGTON, formerly with Co's D & MG. Co's 101st Inf., WW-I, died at U. S. Veterans' Hospital, Togus, Maine, Dec. 21, 1954. He was a former member of Boston Chapter.

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THOMAS EGAN, formerly with Co 'B', 101 Inf., WW-II, died January 31, 1955. He was former member of Boston Chapter.

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CHARLES H. FULLER, formerly with Battery B., 103rd F.A., died Jan. 18, 1955 at Pawtucket, R. I. He was a former member of the Pawtucket Chapter.

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COLONEL WILLIAM J. HENNESSEY, formerly with 101st and 102nd Field Artillery and also WW-II, died suddenly at his home in Falmouth, Mass., Jan. 25, 1955.

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PAUL R. McCAMPBELL, formerly C.O. of Co 'L', 104th Inf., WW-II, died Feb. 2, 1955 at Great Neck, L. I., N. Y. He was a former member of the N. Y. Chapter.

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ERNEST J. McNALLY, formerly with Co 'G', 102 Inf., died Jan. 26, 1955 at Manchester, Conn.

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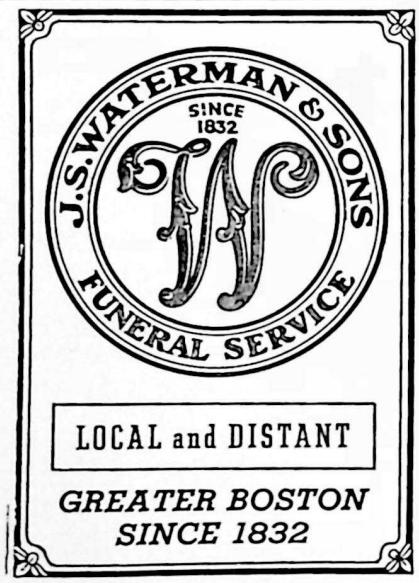
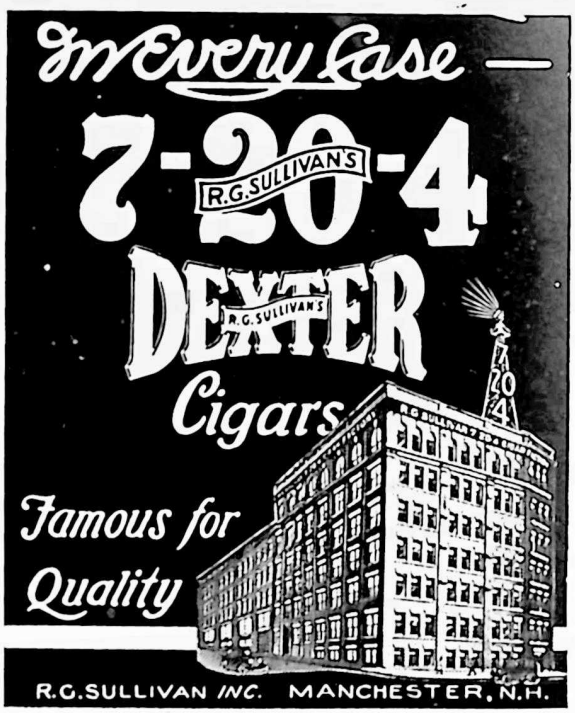
WALTER H. SMITH, formerly with Co 'F', 102 Inf., WW-I, died Jan. 27, 1955. His home was in Manchester, Conn.





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MANCHESTER, N. H., JUNE 10, 11, 12, 1955

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